

7th Annual Budget Marine Wahoo Tournament

THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

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CAPTAINS BRIEFING & REGISTRATION

Friday, November 14th, 2014 at 18.00 hrs
At the 12 METRE YACHT CLUB at Bobby's Marina

REGISTRATION FEES

- USD \$ 300,- per boat

The registration fee includes 4 tickets for the awards dinner on Sunday, November 16th, 2014 dinner starts at 16.00 hrs.
Additional tickets are available @ \$15 per person

FUEL

Fuel will be available at Bobby's Marina throughout the weekend.

SUPPLIES

The Marina market will be open throughout the weekend supplying you with groceries, ice, beer and rum.
Breakfast sandwiches are available (*must be ordered on Friday evening before 5pm*)

LODGING

Lodging specials available for all participating fishermen and their family at the newly renovated Pasangrahan Hotel for \$89,- / room per night. Just ask for "Tournament special"

Book directly at:

Tel : + (1-721) 542-3588

Email : info@pasanhotel.net

Website : www.pasanhotel.net

First come first serve policy, so book now!!

PROGRAM AND TOURNAMENT TIMES

Friday, November 14th, 2014

Captains Briefing starting at 18.00 at the 12 Metre Yacht Club

Saturday, November 15th, 2014

First day # 01

Departure 00:01 hrs

Return to dock no later than 16:30hrs

Weigh station closes at 17:00hrs

Fundraising BBQ on Sale

Sunday, November 16th 2014

Fishing Day #2

Departure 00.01 hrs

Return to the dock by 15.00 hrs

Weigh station closes at 16:00hrs

Live entertainment starts at 15:00hrs - until

Catering for fishermen (remember 4 x wrist bands)

Additional tickets on sale

Kids corner on location

Awards dinner & ceremony 17.00 – 19.00 hrs on location.

PRIZE CATEGORIES for 2014

- Most weight Overall (**of WAHOO ONLY**) (Champion Boat)
- Second most weight (**of WAHOO ONLY**) (Runner Up)
- Largest Qualifying Wahoo
- Second Largest Qualifying Wahoo
- Largest Qualifying Tuna
- Largest Qualifying Mahi Mahi
- Largest Qualifying Kingfish
- Best Female Angler
- Best Junior Angler
- Best Dressed Crew

THE TOURNAMENT RULES

- To be eligible to participate in the tournament each entrant must have completed an entry form and paid the registration fee no later than Friday, November 14th at 20.00 Tournament Committee will do a radio check in at 07.00 on both fishing days.
- All catches must be reported to FISH CONTROL and reports must contain the name of the boat and the type of fish caught.
- In the event of none contact with “FISH CONTROL” boats in the area can relay the message to “FISH CONTROL”.
- Catches not called in prior to returning to port will be disqualified.
- All boats not in Port (inside of the budget marine markers) by 16.30 hrs on day one and 15.00 hrs on day two, failure of doing so will be disqualified for the results of that day. The weighing -in station is located at the water taxi dock in front of the 12 Metre Yacht Club at bobby’s Marina.
- Protest must be filed in writing within 60 minutes after weigh in time and will be entertained by the committee after receipt of payment of \$ 100,- and a case of cold COORS LIGHT. The payment of \$ 100 is nonrefundable.
- The committee have the right to inspect any participating boats and gear at any time.
- The qualifying fish and minimum weights :

<i>Wahoo</i>	<i>15lbs</i>
<i>Dolphin (Mahi Mahi)</i>	<i>10lbs</i>
<i>Yellow Fin Tuna</i>	<i>10lbs</i>
<i>Kingfish</i>	<i>10lbs</i>

- **ALL BILLFISH MUST BE RELEASED, FISHERMEN THAT BRING BILLFISH BACK TO THE DOCKS, WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THIS TOURNAMENT.**
- The Official tournament Headquarters and Weighing in station will be the place designated on the entry form
- All boats must be at the designated declared point of departure in the Island of St.Maarten, unless requested special permission by committee 48 hrs in advance of start tournament.
- The angler must set the hook and bring the fish to gaff unaided: However, assistance in moving the rod from the Gunnel holder to the fighting chair is permitted.
- No lines exceeding 80lbs are permitted. Hand lining is not allowed.
- Electrical reels are prohibited.
- The entrant of the boat or someone so delegated will be responsible to ensure that these rules are enforced under pain of disqualification from the tournament.
- It shall be the responsibility of the Tournament Committee to adjudicate the written rules and to make necessary decisions where the situation has not been anticipated by the written rules. The Decision of the Judges committee is Final.
- All fish caught will be weighed and recorded on arrival at the designated Weighing-in-Station by an appointed Judge of Scales and duly witnessed by the entrant or his delegate.
- Any boat in distress must fly a Red Flag.
- All boats must have all standard safety equipment, also must have a VHF radio and and standby and monitor on channel 06.

EQUIPMENT

- Hand lines are prohibited.
- No lines in excess of 80 lbs. are permitted.
- Wire lines are permitted.
- Not more than two hooks are permitted, per line.
- Gang hooks are permitted only on plugs and artificial lures.
- Artificial and any other baits are permitted.
- Power driven reels are prohibited.
- Ratchet handle reels are prohibited.
- Reels designed for cranking with both hands are prohibited.
- Harpooning, lancing or shooting to assist in boating of fish is prohibited.

ANGLING REGULATIONS

- Harnesses may be used, and may be replaced or adjusted by another person.
- One or more gaffers are permitted to boat a fish.

DISQUALIFICATION ACT

- Failure to comply with rules and other regulations.
- Boats not within the Budget Marine marker buoys (attended by a committee member) at cut off times, will result in disqualification of their catch of that day.
- Mutilation of fish caused by propeller, attacks of other fish, shooting and harpooning.
- No Wahoo under 15lbs, or other mentioned sport fish under 10 lbs will be recognized.
- Jigging & Drift Fishing is prohibited.
- Fishing of FAD's is prohibited.
- Spear guns, guns, missiles, dynamite or any type of commercial fishing gear such as long lines, nets, spotter planes or mother ships is prohibited.